

OFFICE OF COUNCILMAN ANTHONY YOUNG CHAIRMAN, COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY & NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES DISTRICT FOUR

May 8, 2008 WEEKLY UPDATE



Councilmember Tony Young with El Tesoro de Jamul Ballet at the Children's Book Festival

COUNCIL ACTIONS:

On Tuesday, May 6, 2008 the San Diego City Council unanimously approved a grant in the amount of \$250,000 to continue addressing the problem of internet crimes against children.

Funds from this grant will be used to provide an effective combination of computer technology and investigative expertise to positively impact the problems related to the on-line exploitation of children. Proactive and reactive investigations will be conducted, assistance with prosecution of individuals charged with internet crimes against children will be done, and community outreach activities regarding training, prevention and education about internet crimes against children and youth are some of the outcomes for this funding.

On Tuesday, May 6, 2008 the San Diego City Council approved a Resolution declaring that all San Diego fire stations open 24 hours per day, seven days per week are designated as "Safe Surrender Sites" for parents of unwanted babies, three days old or less, to safely give over their babies rather than abandon them in dumpsters or bushes.



The Safely Surrendered Baby law established hospitals as safe haven sites, and allowed counties to designate other facilities, such as fire stations, as safe haven sites. Fire stations are located in communities where people work and live and are recognized by the public as a place where people can go for help. Over 182 newborns have been safely surrendered since the law was passed in 2001. Unfortunately, infants continue to be illegally abandoned, resulting in injury and death. Two abandoned infants in San Diego County have been found dead in the past two years. It is our hope and desires our actions to designate San Diego fire stations as safe surrender sites will further prevent these incidents from happening.

On Tuesday, May 6, 2008 the San Diego City Council approved \$14.8 million in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding for several programs and services throughout the city.

On Wednesday, May 7, 2008 the San Diego City Council will meet at 9:00 a.m. with the Budget Review Committee to conduct budget hearings on Police and Fire departments, Gang Commission, San Diego Employees Retirement System, Ethics Commission and City Council.

On Thursday, May 8, 2008 the San Diego City Council will meet at 9:00 a.m. with the Budget Review Committee to conduct budget hearings on Development Services, Neighborhood Code compliance, Real Estate Assets, disability Services, Qualcomm Stadium, Petco Park, Arts and Culture, Internal Auditor, City Treasurer, and Financial Management.

Please call 236-6166 for additional information on which departments and what times they will be heard by the Committee.

On Friday, May 9, 2008 the San Diego City Council will meet at 9:00 a.m. with the Budget Review Committee to conduct budget hearings on Retirement Package Design and options for consideration.

YOU MAY WANT TO KNOW:

The Jacobs Center for Neighborhood Innovation, Ron Cummins, Luis Natividad, San Diego Police Department, San Diego Unified School Police Services, youth, parents and community members are commended for their outstanding efforts in launching Project Safe Way "Looking Out For Our Children One Corner At A Time." Volunteers with Project Safeway will be located at several corners in the Gompers, Lincoln High School and Porter Elementary



school corridors to serve as safety monitors for our children and youth walking to and from school in the mornings and afternoons. This exemplary effort is supported by my office and several organizations throughout the community. Please contact Luis Natividad at (619) 527-6161 for additional information about Project Safe Way.

Become a Poll Worker! The San Diego County Registrar of Voters needs your help! With two more upcoming elections in 2008, there is a need for 12,000 new trained Poll Workers. Please volunteer today! Poll workers receive a stipend of \$75 to \$150 depending on their assignment. Poll workers who are fluent in Spanish, Vietnamese or Filipino also receive an additional \$15 for their bilingual skills. To the extent possible, we assign poll workers within a 10 miles radius of their home. For more information visit www.sdvote.com or contact Jean Vukotich at (858) 694-3419.

MCCSN has partnered with Broadway/San Diego to offer tickets to The Color Purple before tickets go on sale to the public. Purchase your tickets online starting April 25th, 2008 at www.mccsn.com and for more information visit the website.

<u>Teaching Music with REASON hosted by the Southeastern Teen Center</u> (<u>THA SET</u>) classes begin on Wednesday, March 26, 2008 at the Southeastern Teen Center (588 Euclid Ave.) Learn how to use pre-production software to make your own tracks/beats. Ages 13-19. Sign up now! Space is limited! For more info call (619) 264-4575.

AUDITIONS for the 4th Annual "A Day in the 4th" hosted by the Fourth District Youth Advisory Board (Y.A.B) will be held on Wednesday April 9, 16, 23, 30 and May 7, 2008 from 4:30 pm to 6:00 pm at the Malcolm X Library (5148 Market St.) Calling all poets, singers, dancers, rappers, steppers, praise dancers, etc. to come out and audition. For more info please contact Y.A.B at (619) 236-6644 or email them at fourthdistrictyab@yahoo.com or visit their webpage at www.myspace.com/yabsd.

Downtown Education Fair Discover the Possibilities for Learners of All Ages will be held on Saturday, May 10, 2008 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm at San Diego City College Gorton Quad. Come and learn about all the unique and exciting school and educational opportunities available in downtown. For more information please visit www.ccdc.com or call Jacki Taylor at (619) 533-7145.



Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. San Diego Alumnae Chapter and San Diego Delta Foundation, Inc. cordially invite you to attend their 19th Annual Breakfast for Mi Lady, "A Tribute to Mothers" on Saturday, May 10, 2008 beginning at 8:00 pm at the Doubletree Hotel Mission Valley (7450 Hazard Center Drive) For further information please contact Joyce Kercheval at (619) 286-2904.

The Earl B. Gilliam Bar Association presents its 19th Annual Neighborhood Law School May 12, 2008 thru June 23, 2008 Monday evenings from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm at the Christian Fellowship Congregational Church (1601 Kelton Road). For more information please contact L. Marcel Stewart at lmarcelstew-art@hotmail.com or (619) 723-8425.

<u>Lincoln High School PTSA has applied for \$15,000.00!</u> The funds will be used to assist the 1st graduating class of the newly rebuilt LHS with graduating expenses, scholarship opportunities via their school, and senior mementos. Your support is needed! Please go to the link <u>www.hamburgerhelper.com</u> select "Find A Project", then select the state California last click search and the project is listed as: San Diego, CA Lincoln High School PTSA The Hive is Alive Seniors of 2008.

<u>Small Business Management Classes</u> will be held on Tuesdays April 8- June 3, 2008 from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm Room 213 at the Mid-City Center (3792 Fairmont Ave.) (619) 388-4500 or Wednesdays April 9- June 4, 2008 from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm Room B-3 at Clairemont High School (3890 Modoc St.) (619) 221-6973. For more info contact Instructor Bert Cordova at (858) 274-4258.

American Sign Language Class is held only on Wednesday's at the George Stevens Senior Center (570 S. 65th St) from 2:00 pm-3:00 pm. Session #13 begins on April 9th and each session is \$25.00. For more information, please contact Instructor Christina Davis-Falls at (619) 865-4687.

The San Diego Unified School District and the San Diego Community College District is offering Community-Based English Tutoring on Tuesday and Wednesdays from 9:00am-11:00am and Thursdays from 9:00am to 12:00pm at Webster Elementary School (4801 Elm Street, Room B17). Free English classes for adults with free babysitting provided. For more information contact Antionette Aliotto at (619) 263-6628. 3016.

Are you a senior in need of home delivered meals? Let Meals-on-Wheels serve you! Meals-on-Wheels support the independence and wellbeing of seniors



by delivering nutritious and tasty meals to their homes. For more information, please call (619) 295-9501 or visit www.meals-on-wheels.org.

Got Medicare? Having problems paying for prescriptions? Take advantage of a special government program that helps pay for some Medicare Part D drug plan costs. If you are interested in learning more and applying please call 1-877-734-3258.

Operation Education in partnership with the What's Poppin with Big Willie G Show is offering the following courses for youth ages 10-19 years of age Acting Lessons, How to break into the entertainment industry, How to produce a dance production and Voice lessons. Come discover your hidden talents! Learn tips and techniques from professionals and TV stars! Space is limited. Don't delay, sign up today! For more information regarding these exciting courses, please contact Cynthia Gilliam at (619) 788-8503.

Community Clean-ups are continuing to be held throughout the 4th District.

I commend, thank, and congratulate the many community volunteers, city staff, non-profit organizations and EDCO Waste & Recycling Services that assist in these efforts. Keeping our communities clean and free of debris is an ongoing effort we all must continue to be involved in. Special community cleanup events areas are selected based upon citizen requests, pledges of community involvement and previous citizen participation levels. Please feel free to call Solid Waste Code Enforcement Officer Alejandro Alvarado at (858) 627-3317 if you would like to request a clean-up in your area and/or if you have questions.

At the April 30, 2008 community clean-up held in the 4th District community of Valencia Park, a total of 5.22 tons of waste was collected, 3.71 tons were non-recyclables and 1.51 tons of recyclables consisting of metals and appliances from the neighborhood. Mrs. Adria Greenwall, Valencia Park community members, and the City of San Diego's Environmental Services Department and Michael Flores, are commended for their assistance and support.

COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETINGS:

I am of the opinion that my life belongs to the community, and as long as I live it is my privilege to do for it whatever I can.

- George Bernard Shaw

I am in total agreement with him and I am very proud and thankful of the fact that



residents throughout the 4th District also share this belief. Please join me or a member of my staff at the following Community Councils meeting this week:

O'Farrell Park Town Council Meeting will be held on Thursday, May 8, 2008 at 6:00 p.m. at MLK Park Rec. Center, 6401 Skyline Drive (Derrick White staffs this meeting)

Skyline Hills Community Association Meeting will be held on Thursday, May 8, 2008 at 7:00p.m at Morse High School, 6905 Skyline Dr. (Derrick White staffs this meeting)

Encanto Neighborhood Community Planning Group Meeting will be held on Monday, May 12, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. at the Malcolm X Library, 5148 Market Street (Petrina Burnham Branch staffs this meeting)

<u>Southeastern Planning Committee Meeting</u> will be held on Monday, May 12, 2008 at 6:30p.m at Neighborhood House Association, 841 S. 41st Street (Petrina Burnham Branch staffs this meeting)

<u>Jamacha Community Council Meeting</u> will be held on Monday, May 12, 2008 at 7:00p.m at Trinity Lutheran Church, 7210 Lisbon Street (Venus Molina staffs this meeting)

Emerald Hills Town Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 13, 2008 at 6:00p.m at Johnson Elementary, 1355 Kelton Road (Lourdes Borboa staffs this meeting)

<u>Knox/Lincoln Park Town Council Meeting</u> will be held on Tuesday, May 13, 2008 at 6:00p.m at Knox Elementary, 1098 S. 49th Street (Liezl Mangonon staffs this meeting)

Mountain View Park Rec. Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 13, 2008 at 6:30p.m at Mt. View Park, 551 S. 40th Street (Venus Molina staffs this meeting)

Eastern Planning Committee Meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 13, 2008 at 7:00p.m at Paradise Hills Rec. Center, 6610 Potomac Street (Petrina Burnham Branch staffs this meeting)



Skyline/Paradise Hills Planning Committee Meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 13, 2008 at 7:00p.m at Paradise Hills Rec. Center, 6610 Potomac Street (Petrina Burnham Branch staffs this meeting)

BOARDS & COMMISSIONS:

"Everybody can be great because anybody can serve. You don't have to have a college degree to serve. You don't have to make your subject and verb agree to serve. You only need a heart full of grace. A soul generated by love."

—Dr. Martin Luther King

An opportunity for you to volunteer your services exists with the many City of San Diego Boards and Commissions.

Please visit the City's web site at <u>www.sandiego.gov</u> and view the many boards and commissions available for you to possibly serve on. You will find that several members' terms are expiring, who is responsible for nominating and appointing members, and what the terms and requirements for service are.

Please call Benelia Santos-Hunter at 236-6644 if you are interested in serving as a 4th District representative on a particular Board and/or Commission.

SAVE THIS DATE:

2008 San Diego County Ryan White Services Southeast San Diego Regional Community Meeting will be held on May 15, 2008 from 6:00 pm to 8:00 PM AT Bethel A.M.E. Church (3085 K St.) Come review needs assessment data and talk about the service needs of people with HIVAIDS in your region. For more information please contact Ken Riley at (619) 293-4711, Kenneth.Riley@sdcounty.ca.gov or Yvette Ogletree at (619) 293-4713, Yvette.Ogletree@sdcounty.ca.gov.

Second Chance presents "Community Job & Resource Fair and Adopt-A-House" new and improved for 2008 will be held on Friday, May 16, 2008 from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm. For more information please contact Second Chance at (619) 234-8888.

<u>Children/Youth/Parent Workshop We are more than Conquerors</u> will be held on May 17, 2008 from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm at the Phillips Temple CME Church



(5333 Geneva Ave.) Open to the community ages 6-17. Leaders needed that really care about our children and youth. Continental breakfast and lunch will be served. For more information please contact (619) 262-2505.

<u>Fundraiser for the Neighborhood Association Fund FISH FRY hosted by the Emerald Hills Neighborhood Council</u> will be held on May 17, 2008 from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm at Emerald Hills Park. For more information or tickets please contact Gayle Reid at (619) 203-9067.

The First Annual Youth Achievement Festival presented by Councilmember Anthony Young and Councilmember Ben Hueso will be held on Saturday, May 31, 2008 at 10:00am at Cesar Chavez Park(located at the end of Cesar Chaves Parkway) For more information contact Lourdes Borboa at (619) 236-6644/lborboa@sandiego.gov or Elena Burton at (619) 236-6688/eburton@sandiego.gov

ATTENTION Men and Boys the Father Son 2 on 2 Basketball Tournament is back and will be held on Sunday, June 1, 2008 from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm at 31st
St. SDA Church Gym (414 South Franklin St.) Ages 10-100 are encouraged to sign up. If your father, grandfather or uncle cannot participate, you can ADOPT A DAD. For more information contact Mike McWilliams at (619) 947-1317.

San Diego SHOW All Star Cheerleading and Dance 2008 Summer Camp

Themed day camps ages 4-15 that offer skill training in fundamentals of cheer, dance and basic tumbling. Boys and girls can have FUN and build confidence and self-esteem, while learning skills. For more information please call (619) 788-6042 or visit www.sdshowcheeranddance.org.

THANK YOU.... for reading my E-mail Message for the Week. If you would like to receive this E-mail on a regular basis, please e-mail me at <u>anthonyyoung@sandiego.gov</u>.

